

## INVESTMENT OVERVIEW

The Fund seeks long-term capital appreciation through a concentrated growth portfolio that primarily invests in U.S. companies with market capitalizations of at least \$1 billion. The investment team looks for high-quality companies trading at reasonable valuations that exhibit potential for sustainable growth, earnings surprises, attractive cash flows, and significant long-term returns.

#### **KEY FEATURES**

**Fundamental, Bottom-Up Process** — Targets attractive, long-term growth potential balanced with disciplined risk management by focusing on companies with durable competitive advantages and multiple drivers of growth

**High-Conviction Portfolio** — Focused on the portfolio team's strongest investment opportunities, typically holding 25-45 companies

**Global Collaboration** — Benefits from a robust, worldwide investment platform with investment teams in the U.S., Europe, and Asia, each conducting regular meetings with corporate management at key companies



Performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Please visit virtus.com for performance data current to the most recent month end. This share class has no sales charges and is not available to all investors. Other share classes have sales charges. See virtus.com for details.

The fund class gross expense ratio is 0.71%. The net expense ratio is 0.67%, which reflects a contractual expense reimbursement in effect through 2/1/2023.

Average annual total return is the annual compound return for the indicated period and reflects the change in share price and the reinvestment of all dividends and capital gains. Returns for periods of one year or less are cumulative returns.

# ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Fund	22.09	48.99	34.29	-5.36	31.88	1.84	10.46	9.55	39.33	17.47
Index	27.60	38.49	36.39	-1.51	30.21	7.08	5.67	13.05	33.48	15.26

#### GROWTH OF \$10,000

\$ 60,137.12 03/99 03/02 03/04 03/06 03/08 03/10 03/12 03/14 03/16 03/18 03/20 03/22

This chart assumes an initial investment of \$10,000 made on 3/31/1999. As of 3/31/2022 the fund value would have been \$60,137.12. Fund performance assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gain distributions. This growth reflects no front end sales charges.

#### **FUND INFORMATION**

	Ticker	CUSIP
A Shares	PGWAX	92837N824
ADMIN Shares	PGFAX	92837N758
C Shares	PGWCX	92837N816
Institutional Shares	PGFIX	92837N766
P Shares	AOGPX	92837N774
R6 Shares	AFGFX	92837N782

Inception Date	03/31/99
AUM (\$ millions)	1,234.3
Number of Holdings	36
Dividends	Annually
Morningstar Category	Large Growth
Lipper Category	Large-Cap Growth Funds
Index	Russell 1000® Growth Index

#### MORNINGSTAR RATINGS

Time Period	# of Stars	# of Funds
Overall	****	1,124
3 Year	****	1,124
5 Year	****	1,025
10 Year	****	765

Morningstar ratings are based on risk-adjusted returns. Strong ratings are not indicative of positive fund performance.

# INVESTMENT ADVISER

Virtus Investment Advisers, Inc.

#### INVESTMENT SUBADVISER



At Allianz Global Investors, active is the most important word in our vocabulary. Active is how we create and share value with clients. We believe in solving, not selling, and in adding value beyond pure economic gain. We invest for the long term, employing our innovative investment expertise and global resources. Our goal is to ensure a superior experience for our clients, wherever they are based and whatever their investment needs.

Active is: Allianz Global Investors

#### PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

#### Raphael L. Edelman

Industry start date: 1984

Start date as Fund Portfolio Manager: 2016

## Kimberlee Millar, CFA

Industry start date: 1998

Start date as Fund Portfolio Manager: 2021

# **Class Institutional**

CHARACTERISTICS	Fund	Index
Avg. Weighted Market Cap (bn)	1,056.73	989.00
Median Market Cap (bn)	82.27	16.86
Trailing P/E Ex-Negative Earnings	32.65	30.91
Price-to-Cash Flow	29.31	27.08
Price-to-Book Value	17.32	17.28
3-Year EPS Growth Rate	25.57	23.70
5-Year EPS Growth Rate	31.74	27.38
Active Share	50.32	n/a

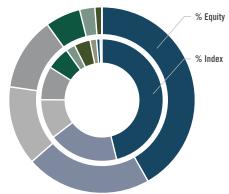
# **RISK STATISTICS**

(3 YEAR)	Fund	Index
Alpha	-1.35	n/a
Beta	1.06	1.00
R <sup>2</sup>	0.97	1.00
Sharpe Ratio	1.09	1.19
Standard Deviation	20.75	19.20

TOP TEN HOLDINGS	% Fund
Apple Inc.	13.00
Microsoft Corporation	10.95
Alphabet Inc. Class A	7.03
Amazon.com, Inc.	6.90
Tesla Inc	6.31
NVIDIA Corporation	5.07
Mastercard Incorporated Class A	4.49
Meta Platforms Inc. Class A	3.57
Morgan Stanley	2.63
Eli Lilly and Company	2.60

Holdings and sector weightings are subject to change.

#### SECTOR ALLOCATIONS



	% Equity	% Index
■ Information Technology	41.79	46.16
Consumer Discretionary	21.75	18.50
Communication Services	13.75	10.46
Health Care	12.74	8.90
■ Industrials	6.11	6.14
Financials	2.65	2.47
Consumer Staples	1.21	4.24
Real Estate	0.00	1.73
■ Materials	0.00	0.93
Energy	0.00	0.46
Utilities	0.00	0.03

#### IMPORTANT RISK CONSIDERATIONS

Market Volatility: The value of the securities in the portfolio may go up or down in response to the prospects of individual companies and/or general economic conditions. Price changes may be short- or long-term. Local, regional or global events such as war, acts of terrorism, the spread of infectious illness or other public health issue, recessions, or other events could have a significant impact on the fund and its investments, including hampering the ability of the fund's portfolio manager(s) to invest the portfolio's assets as intended. Issuer Risk: The portfolio will be affected by factors specific to the issuers of securities and other instruments in which the portfolio invests, including actual or perceived changes in the financial condition or business prospects of such issuers. **Equity Securities**: The market price of equity securities may be adversely affected by financial market, industry, or issuer-specific events. Focus on a particular style or on small or medium-sized companies may enhance that risk. Focused Investments: To the extent the portfolio focuses its investments on a limited number of issuers, sectors, industries or geographic regions, it may be subject to increased risk and volatility. **Prospectus:** For additional information on risks, please see the fund's prospectus.

#### **GLOSSARY**

Avg. Weighted Market Cap (bn): The total dollar market value of all of a company's outstanding shares. Trailing P/E Ex-Negative Earnings: Per share stock price divided by the latest 12-months earnings per share. Price-to-Cash Flow: Per-share stock price divided by the per-share operating cash flow. Price-to-Book Value: A ratio used to compare a stock's market value to its book value. **3-Year EPS Growth Rate:** Average of earnings per share growth for latest 3-year period. **5-Year EPS Growth Rate:** Average of earnings per share growth for latest 5-year period. **Active Share:** A measure of the percentage of stock holdings in a manager's portfolio that differ from the benchmark index. Alpha: A risk-adjusted measure of an investment's excess return relative to a benchmark. Beta: A quantitative measure of the volatility, or systematic risk, of a security or a portfolio in comparison to the market as a whole. R2: A measure that represents the percentage of a fund or security's movements that can be explained by movements in a benchmark index. Sharpe Ratio: A risk-adjusted measure calculated using standard deviation and excess return to determine reward per unit of risk. Standard Deviation: Measures variability of returns around the average return for an investment portfolio. Higher standard deviation suggests greater risk.

#### INDEX DEFINITION

Index: The Russell 1000® Growth Index is a market capitalization-weighted index of growthoriented stocks of the 1,000 largest companies in the Russell Universe, which comprises the 3,000 largest U.S. companies. The index is calculated on a total return basis with dividends reinvested. The index is unmanaged, its returns do not reflect any fees, expenses, or sales charges, and is not available for direct investment.

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